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For : ADJUSTABLE LENGTH MEMBER SUCH AS A CAP OF A LANCET DEVICE
FOR ADJUSTING PENETRATION DEPTH

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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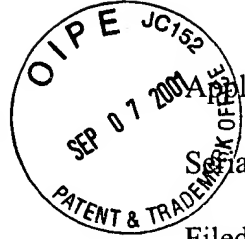
Sir:

In accordance with Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicant hereby submits the following Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, and in conformance with MPEP 609 and 2001.06(b).

Applicant hereby makes of record the information disclosure statements filed September 10, 1998 and April 19, 2000, the documents listed on the Form PTO-1449 submitted with the March 2, 2001 Amendment, and the information cited in the Office Actions mailed May 25, 1999 and January 4, 2000, in parent U.S. Application No. 09/095,905. For the convenience of the Examiner, documents cited in the above-mentioned information disclosure statements and Office Actions are listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449 to permit the Examiner to indicate consideration thereof.

Further, the following commonly assigned, co-pending applications, which were cited in the April 10, 2000 Information Disclosure Statement of the parent application, are brought to the attention of the Examiner:

U.S. Application No. 09/493,675, in the name of SCHRAGA, filed January 28, 2000, entitled "Adjustable Tip for a Lancet Device and Method".



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U.S. Application No. 09/433,366, in the name of SCHRAGA, filed November 3, 1999, entitled "Lancet Having Adjustable Penetration Depth".

Applicant notes that copies of these applications are submitted herewith. The Examiner is invited to review the file wrappers of these U.S. patent applications, including the specifications, claims, disclosure statements, and documents cited therein, at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Further, the following information, which issued from U.S. Application No. 09/095,902, which was cited in the September 10, 1998 Information Disclosure Statement in the parent application, is brought to the attention of the Examiner:

U.S. Patent No. 6,022,366 to SCHRAGA (hereinafter "SCHRAGA")

A copy of SCHRAGA is enclosed. Each document cited on the Forms PTO-1449 and Forms PTO-892 of the parent application and SCHRAGA are listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449 to permit the Examiner to indicate consideration thereof. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the documents cited above and to confirm such consideration by initialling in the appropriate spaces on the Forms PTO-1449 and returning a copy of the initialled forms to Applicant.

Additionally, the Examiner is referred to the International Preliminary Examination Report (submitted herewith) issued in counterpart International Application No. PCT/US99/12792 for an indication of the relevance given by the Examiner to the document cited therein relative to the claims of the International Application.

The disclosure of the above documents does not constitute an admission that any particular document is relevant or material to the claims, or is prior analogous art with respect to the present application. The citation of these documents is not to be construed as a representation that no better art exists, or that a search has been made.

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Any comments or questions concerning this application can be directed to the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

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